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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-16. (Canceled)

17. (Currently Amended) A method for managing customer accounts in connection with a Pre-Paid platform, the method comprising:

receiving, at a proxy, a request for service from a subscriber;

determining, at the proxy, a service code associated with the requested service;

sending charge data, including the service code, to a charging module;

converting, in the charging module, the received charge data and service code into a predefined format accepted by the Pre-Paid platform;

sending the converted charge data to the Pre-Paid platform;

receiving an indication from the Pre-Paid platform as to whether the subscriber has an adequate balance to cover the requested service; and

controlling, by the proxy, whether or not the requested service is provided based on the received indication, the converted charge data including at least a B-number and a time definition.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the converted charge data is based on a predefined charging model associated with the service code.

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the charge data includes data relating the amount of the service used.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the converted charge data is sent to the Pre-Paid platform using an INAP protocol.

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21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the converted charge data is sent to the Pre-paid platform using a CAP protocol.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having stored thereon instructions which cause one or more processors to perform the steps of:

receiving, at a proxy, a request for service from a subscriber;

determining, at the proxy, a service code associated with the requested service;

sending charge data, including the service code, to a charging module;

converting, in the charging module, the received charge data and service code into a predefined format accepted by the Pre-Paid platform;

sending the converted charge data to the Pre-Paid platform, the converted charge data including at least a B-number and a time definition;

receiving an indication from the Pre-Paid platform as to whether the subscriber has an adequate balance to cover the requested service; and

controlling, by the proxy, whether or not the requested service is provided based on the received indication.